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Sub-District Conventions Show Lively Face

Many sub-districts have held their annual conventions, and from the reports we receive, the only conclusion to be made is: they were good conventions and and in several cases attendance was much higher than expected. This is a very good sign. In the near future the role of the sub-district and the sub-district boards will become of greater and greater importance. In many districts this feeling is apparently shared by the members, because in areas where there were no sub-district boards members are now busy organizing and getting them operating.

As it is impossible to publish all the reports we receive—it would take more than an extra issue of our Organized Farmer—we take only part of them. This doesn't mean that any meeting left out is considered to be of less importance than another. Nor does our publishing of only parts of the reports mean that all other things mentioned are of no value. The world may have learned to conquer space, we are still living in the inner space of our newspaper, which restricts our movements more than a little bit.

Enviable Record

District 10 had a record to be envious of. From the 72 locals in the district 64 were represented at the different sub-district conventions. This means that nearly 90 per cent of the locals had seen the need of being present at the sub-district conventions.

Guest speakers were Mr. Ed Nelson, FUA president, who spoke about the relationship between the FUA and the farmer co-operatives; Mrs. C. R. Braithwaite, FWUA president, who showed slides of her trip to Australia and reported on the ACWW conference; Mr. Richard Page, District 10 director, bringing to the fore the topics that are now contentious and of immediate concern to the district, and Gordon Banta, District 10 Jr. FUA director who brought the convention up to date on the Junior program for 1963.

Panel Discussion

Panel discussions received a more than fleeting interest at some conventions. In District 3 two of these discussions were organized, one at Naples and one at Westlock. The topic discussed was: "What should governments do—or not do—for Alberta farmers." After the group discussions in the

Clare Anderson, FUA vice-president, and G. N. Leenders executive manager FUA. At Naples the district agriculturist was the fifth member of the panel, and at Westlock a representative of the Agricultural Service Board. Attendance at Westlock was far greater than anticipated. Everyone appreciated the discussion very much.

sisted of: Mrs. W. C. Taylor, Wainwright; R. Jorgenson, MLA;

Another panel discussion was organized at the convention of sub-district 4 in District 10. The topic discussed here was: "How will the National Farmers' Union affect us as a grass roots organization?"

Addressing the convention FUA District Director Mr. R. Page, and FWUA District Director, Mrs. Pauline Jasman, felt the FUA is becoming more adult, and is beginning to attack the problems at

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FINAL PAYMENT 43 CENTS

An average final payment of 42,974 cents a bushel will be made by the Canadian Wheat Board. The payment on No. 1 Manitoba Northern will be 40.611 cents a bushel.

The cheques will be mailed out by the Canadian Wheat Board, and are final payment for the pool closed February 28.

We want to stress the fact that these payments are not made by the government, though millions of city people have the impression that it is a government hand-out to the farmers. During last year's election some commentators made remarks which strengthened this feeling. This final payment is not a hand-out. It is money for which the farmer has been waiting a long time. That it is now nearly 43 cents a bushel supports the FUA stand that initial payments should be and could be higher. This would make life easier for many farmers.

Action -- Result

Some weeks ago the express companies raised the freight charges on a 15 dozen case of eggs from 75c to \$1.50. The FUA protested this action. As a result of this protest the express companies will send a representative to Edmonton to talk this matter over.

HONEY PAYMENT

The Agricultural Stabilization Board will make a deficiency payment of 9/10 cent per pound on graded extracted honey sold by eligible producers through approved channels during the 12 months ended June 30, 1962. The Board has established that the average price received by producers for WHITE No. 1 grade extracted honey in the marketing year July 1, 1961 to June 30, 1962, was 12.6 cents per pound. Support price in this period was 13.5 cents per pound.

OUR HONOR LIST

If anybody thinks for one moment that we aren't making much headway with our Honor List, he is only partially right. Our Membership Drive isn't stalling. We have, however, to meet a deadline for the publication of our newspaper, and a picture, even when it arrives only one hour too late, prevents us from publishing it.

The third district surpassing last year's total membership is District 10, Director R. J. Page. For the third year in a row this district has been able to show up with a larger membership. Everyone in the district can be proud of such an achievement. Mr. Page wrote us a short note, asking to say to all officials, canvassers, and anybody who helped to put District 10 membership over the top again: "Congratulations to all of you." He added: "We are not resting on our laurels, but will strive to push our membership even higher."

That's the right spirit. We take our hat off for the members of District 10, and



R. J. Page, Didsbury Director FUA District 10

Another district passing last year's milestone is District 9, Director Dan Whitney, Ponoka. Mr. Whitney is an old hand at passing milestones. He and his district have every reason to be proud of what has been accomplished up till now. Our sincere thanks to all who have assisted to reach this goal. We trust that one more push will be given to make this increase indeed a very sizable one.

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SOIL TESTING LAB REQUESTED FOR LETHBRIDGE Hugh Oneill, Lethbridge M.D.;

At the fifteenth annual convention of District 14, resolutions were passed asking for a proper disinfection job on farm machinery coming from the U.S. to prevent spreading of sugar beet nematodi. Another resolution requests the provincial government to establish a soil testing laboratory in Lethbridge. The three Prairie pools were urged to advertise more in Eastern Canada the availability of feed grain in the West. As requested by the "Save the Sugar Factory" Committee of Raymond, a resolution to that intent was endorsed by the convention.

District officials re-elected were: Ken Newton, Del Bonita, FUA director, and Mrs. M. L. Roberts, Lethbridge, FWUA Director. Olaf Mehlen of Iron Springs was elected as Alternate FUA Director, and Mrs. P. J. Sheer, Magrath, as FWUA Alternate Director.

The convention passed quite a few more resolutions. The provincial government was requested to establish a drainage system in all older irrigation districts. The delegates were of the opinion that the costs for the clearing of rocks and roots should be allowed as a

morning, the panel was set to work

in the afternoon and sometimes

had its hands full. The panel con-

full deduction on the income tax return. The constitutional amendment, limiting the term of office for any official to five years, also passed.

Directors on the District Board elected were: Harold Hughes, Enchant, representing Taber M.D.;

Hugh Oneill, Lethbridge, representing Lethbridge M.D.; Richard Thull, Milk River, representing Warner County; Gideon Lehr, Cardston, representing Cardston M.D.

The four directors each will set up sub-district boards under the re-organizational system outlined by resolutions passed during the convention.

The convention was attended by 82 delegates and board members, representing five FWUA and 11 FUA locals. Many visitors were also present.

Mrs. Roberts urged the women in joint locals to take more interest in the FWUA program.

Mrs. J. R. Hallum, second vicepresident of the FWUA, outlined plans for the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the organization, and asked the locals to make contributions to the "Hon. Irene Parlby Scholarship Fund."

Eugene Elm, first vice-president of the Jr. FUA spoke about the program and activities of the Jr. FUA. He asked for entries for the Jr. Queen and Debating Team Contest, and urged the young people to attend one of the Teen Camps at Gold Eye Lake.

Wilf Hoppins, the yeneral manager of UFA Co-op, told that membership in co-operatives is increasing. He also spoke about discounts offered by other oil companies in an attempt to offset competition from the UFA and other co-operatives.

Mr. Ed Nelson urged members in locals to keep in close contact with their co-operatives. He stressed the importance of local meetings and discussed at length the matter of public or private power companies.

Crop Damage By Wildlife

If you have your crop insured against damage by wildlife to the extent of 10% or more, notice of claim of loss must within three days after the loss has occurred be sent by registered mail to the following address:

Alberta Hail Insurance Board, General Agent, Wildlife Ins., 708 - 5th Street S.W.,

Calgary, Alta.

If the insured does not live within two miles of the land upon which the crop is grown to which the claim relates, he must furnish the name of a person residing within two miles of the damaged parcel to act as his representative with respect to the claim and the legal description of the land upon which such person resides.

Mr. Harry Patching, chairman of the district bonspiel, reported on the recent spiel. He explained the set up of committees and stressed how important it was for locals to have representatives on various committees.

A. J. Larson, Twin River, and M. J. Goughnor, Enchant, reported on the FUA trip to Ottawa and Toronto.

DID YOU SAY LOUD AND CLEAR AT YOUR LOCAL MEETING . . .

GET TWO, GET TWO ...?

CENTRAL OFFICE WAITS FOR YOUR ANSWER.

In our March 7 issue we published a list of locals with less membership than last year. It would be appreciated if officers and members of these locals would check their lists and bring their membership up to last year's figures.

The Heart of the FUA

It Beats at Central Office

The heart of your organization is not the Annual Convention — whether it is held in Edmonton or Calgary — nor the Board of Directors, nor the Executive. It is beating at that address, known to so many of you, 9934-106 Street, Edmonton. There is the work done which keeps your FUA, FWUA and Jr. FUA going from day to day. It may be simple as a heartbeat, unnoticed, undetected, unless there is something wrong with the body or the heart itself, but it is the motor which keeps things rolling. Today let's take some time to tell you a little bit more about that heart.

The official name is Central Office. Behind this nearly anything could hide itself, a building, an office staff, desks, telephones, typewriters, mimeograph machine, addressograph etc. Yet, it is a living organization, doing the enormous amount of work, created not by one organization, the FUA, but by three, because there is also an FWUA and a Jr. FUA.

Without people, there would be no heartbeat. Your office staff are these people, and they, in turn have to work with all of you. They receive lots of co-operation from many of you. This speeds up the work at Central Office. Others are less co-operative. Central Office can write and write, and receive no answer. That slows down the work at the office, which is, let it be repeated here, your office. If the work there cannot be done the way it could and should be done, isn't that hurting the whole organization?

Some Figures

Some people have the feeling the organization doesn't need that heart at 9934 - 106 Street, Edmonton. In their opinion one or two girls could easily handle the job. This is a misunderstanding of what Central Office is doing, which some figures, perhaps, could rectify.

In our foregoing issue we wrote, without checking, that the office mails out about 50,000 pieces of mail every year. This was an understatement. In reality quite a bit more mail leaves our office.

OUR HONOR LIST

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The third District to be honored today in this list of ours is District 1. They just made it by the seat of their pants, but they made it. Our congratulations to the people in this Peace River District. It seems there is just enough time left over to pull these pants up a little bit, and all your worries about memberships will be over for the next six months. Our congratulations to all who have worked hard to come so far, and to your Director, Mr. J. Ken Mc-Intosh, Grande Prairie.



J. Ken McIntosh, Grande Prairie, Director FUA District 1

With this list five of our fourteen districts have surpassed last year's total membership. They are: Districts 12, 5, 9, 10 and 1. District 12 reached this goal in February, closely followed by District 5. Both districts are still going very strong and today, March 27, it is still a toss up which

trict 5. Both districts are still going very strong and today, March 27, it is still a toss up which UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

It has to mail out 25,000 membership cards. True, many of these are mailed in one bunch to the secretary of the local, but many go out by ones and twos. All this work of writing them out, addressing the envelopes and so on takes more than a few hours. Central Office also needs a record of the membership. This means that more than 25,000 names have to be checked, adjustments made, cards be taken out, new ones typed. An unnecessary job? Absolutely not. Especially when you know how many locals ask more than once in a year's time for the names of their members.

Mailing Lists

The Organized Farmer is now published twice a month, and twice a month the whole mailing list must be ready. Running all these names through the addressograph takes more than two days, not counting changes which have to be made for one reason or another.

Every week a newsletter is mailed out to every radio and TV station in the province, to all daily newspapers and every weekly published in Alberta. Bill Harper's broadcast is also mailed out every week to quite a few hundred people

About 18,000 insurance policies have to be checked, during the year. Hundreds and hundreds of hours go into this job alone.

Visitors

Hundreds and hundreds of members—or non-members—drop into Central Office to get information, advice or legal help. The way this part of the work is increasing will result within the foreseeable future in a full day's work for one man.

Your Organized Farmer needs more than one or two days of preparation. It isn't a job to be done in an afternoon when no other work is available.

Keeping books is a full-time job in itself. He or she doing this work doesn't have time to do anything else. The organization has appointed auditors to check the books, and they come in, a few times a year, to look into every detail. This means that our books have to be up-to-date at all times.

There is a demand on personnel of Central Office to attend meetings, to speak at meetings, to go to a conference. Making preparations for conferences, or the annual convention is about a job in itself.

This is only a part of the work done by your Central Office, but it may give you an idea that the heart of the organization beats there. Without it, the organization couldn't operate. The members of your office staff are happy to be able to do the work and help the FUA in its necessary task.

-Nk.

Meeting April 9 At Tofield

On April 9, 8 p.m., a meeting will be held in the Tofield Legion Hall. Every FUA member belonging to the Tofield locals Ryley, Shonts, Poe, New Borschiw, Dodds, Holden or Kingman is cordially invited to attend this meeting. On the agenda is the election of a sub-district director. Guest speaker will be G. N. Leenders

OPEN FORUM

Letters for publication from members and subscribers only in the Open Forum must be brief. Pen names may be used if desired, but name of the sender must accompany the letter. A Board of Directors' ruling limits letters to 300 words and those longer cannot be accepted. Readers are asked to observe this ruling. The F.U.A. does not necessarily endorse or accept any responsibility for opinions expressed under this heading.

Open Letter To Gordon Taylor

Hon. Gordon Taylor, Minister of Highways, Government of Alberta. Dear Sir:

With all respect due your high office may I remind you of a promise in a letter dated April 17, 1958, to investigate the flooding of my land through the draining of two lakes by your department? The ditch dug by a dragline is over two miles long and drains an area of about 15 miles by 4 miles. Previous to this ditching never in the 33 years that I have homesteaded and farmed this land has any water flowed across it after the first of May. Now in most years it flows most of the growing seasons until freeze up, with great inconvenience to my farming operations and much loss in crops by flooding as well as erosion of cultivated fields.

Since receiving the above letter from you—instead of the flooding being rectified (by a simple sluice gate placed in the ditch to control the run-off) it has been increased by the draining of other land into this drainage system. The sluice gate would only cost a few hundred feet of lumber whereas hundreds of thousands of tax dollars have been spent which only increased the flow and damage.

My file number in your depart-

ment is 42 - 126.

There you will find a stack of lawyers' letters a foot high. When a secretary brought them out she commented "Something should be done about this," and yet nothing has been done to stop the damage. In fact the damage has increased year after year with the possibility of destroying my means of making

Yours truly, J. Navara, Debolt, Alta.

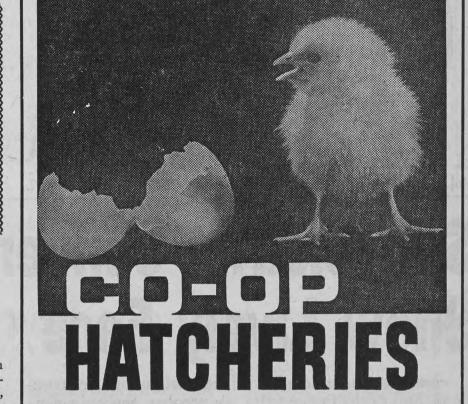
Against Broader Divorce Laws

Dear Sir:

a living.

I have noted that last fall the FWUA passed a resolution to be forwarded to the government asking that our divorce laws be broadened to include mental cruelty and insanity as legitimate grounds. In so doing this organization is entering a controversial field in which religious convictions are attacked. The Catholics may be a minority of the membership, but why should this be taken advantage of, through this organization. when the women can turn to so many other groups that do not have Catholic membership? All Protestants know that divorce is against Catholic morality, so why insult this segment of the mem-

Perhaps the blame for this move lies with the Catholic members themselves. Where were they when such topics came under discussion? Sleeping! Where were all the Protestants who frown on divorce in its present form in certain states of the United States. Were they also indifferent? I'll go so far as to throw most of the blame on the minority of women who were bold enough to use this organization to press the gvernment for more open divorce legislation.



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Exchange Visit In The North

The Jr. FUA members in the northwestern part of the province are quite active. Last year a Jr. local was formed in Hines Creek. In March they had a joint meeting with Griffin Creek Jr. FUA. This local had set up a program of games and a dance, but the evening was not all fun and frolic. The Jr. Director of District 2, Frank Schaff addressed the Juniors, and the presidents of Hines Creek, Orest Hrab, and Griffin Creek, Garry Bettenson, also spoke a few words. It was a successful exchange visit.

Marriage is under attack and threatened by so many other forces of materialism. Broader divorce laws is certainly not a solution as proven by U.S.A. statistics. Marriage is sacred and rightly belongs in the religious field. The marriage vow says "in sickness and in health" and not "until mental illness strikes one of the partners."

The time for the FWUA to clean house has certainly arrived, and the way to start is to reject all ideas of the forces of materialism.

Yours truly, Gerard Dufour

Feeders' Day On June 1

This year the University of Alberta will hold the Forty-Second Annual Feeders' Day. The date is set for June 1st. Keep this day free and attend this important event.

New Superior Sire

The Jersey bull, Bellavista Basil Advancer, Excellent, has just been designated a Superior Sire by the Canadian Jewey Cattle Club. This bull was bred by Bellavista Farms Limited, Milner, B.C., and was owned and proven in the herd of Charles C. Dixon, of St. Albert Trail, Alberta.

New Gold Medal Jersey Sire

The Jersey bull, Bellavista Gem, Very Good, (Excellent in United States) a Silver Medal bull with a rating on 25 tested daughters of 9,318 lbs. of milk, 5.39%, 503 lbs. of fate, m.e., and 35 classified daughters that average 86.93% has just been designated a Gold Medal Bull, by the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club.

*This bull was bred by Bellavista Farms Limited, of Milner, B.C., and was used by them until 1958 when he was sold to Blue Ridge Farm, Coos Bay, Oregon, U.S.A.

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What Is Income And What Is Not

That's the April Question

If you haven't done so yet, this month you will have to find an answer for the question what is income and what is not. Your answer must correspond with the rules set by the Federal Income Tax Department, and these rules are pretty rigid. Here are some pointers which may be of help to you:

TAXABLE INCOME

1. Sale of cattle—even if the money is received in the next year, the full amount of the sale is considered to be income at the moment delivery of the cattle is

2. Sale of grain—here applies the same rule. If grain is sold on December 31, and the cheque is not received until January, the Income Tax people consider that the sale was made on December 31 and that the total amount of the sale became income on that

same day. 3. Surface Rentals.

4. Oil Royalties.

5. Oil Well Rentals.

6. Old Age Pension.

This doesn't seem to leave too much out. However, take courage, there is in this world of ours more than Taxable Income alone. We know also of Non Taxable Income.

NON-TAXABLE INCOME

1. Profit from the sale of land and/or buildings.

2. Profit from the sale or trade of machinery, but only on Part XVII method.

3. Delayed Drilling Rentals.

4. Payments for some kind of damages. (Example: It was necessary for the building of a road to tear your fence down and you get payment for erecting another

5. Payment for land taken for roadway, etc.

6. Family Allowances.

Advance payments on grain may be declared as income in the year in which they were received or in the year in which the grain is delivered. The Income Tax Act even gives the farmers a chance

Everyone should always remember NOT to declare Non-Taxable Income when filing Income Tax returns.

Remember: Your Income Tax return must be filed not later than April 30. After that date the Income Tax people can charge a penalty.

Edwin Eherriault, secretary of

the FUA West Wind local, is these

days a happy fellow. On March 3

one of his cows gave birth to

identical quadruplet calves. They

are all normal and doing well.

Sub-dist. board of MD 72

The sub-district board of MD

72 will meet April 24, 8 p.m. at

Innisfree. It will be a planning

meeting for the locals in the sub-

district. Sub-district director is

Peter Zaplachinski, Box 71, Innis-

free, alternate sub-district direc-

tor Elgin Ziegler, Vegreville. All

presidents and secretaries of the

locals in the County, or their rep-

resentatives are expected to attend

Quadruplet Calves

Meets April 24

this meeting.

The sub-districts 3 and 5 in District 10 will in the near future become one sub-district with the name Sub-district of Red Deer. FUA sub-district director of Red Deer is David Munro, Innisfail, and FWUA sub-district director of Red Deer Mrs. Wayne Gillette, Red Deer. Alternate FUA sub-director is Floyd Weis, Huxley, and Alternate FWUA sub-district director

Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spencer, now living in Comox, B.C., received at their golden wedding anniversary last month messages of congratulations from all over the world. Mr. and Mrs. Spencer were married in 1913 in Wainwright. Mr. Spencer became active in politics and sat in the House of Commons as a member of the "Ginger Group" from 1921 to 1935.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer have both been active in the farm movement in this province. Mrs. Spencer was vice-president of one of the early United Farm Women groups in Alberta. For quite a few years she wrote an informative current event column for farm women in the Western Farm Leader.

In 1936 Mr. Spencer became chairman of the Wainwright School Division. He was deputy reeve of Wainwright, president of the Alberta School Trustees and president of the Educational Council. When the couple moved to B.C. Mr. Spencer became the general secretary of the Canadian School Trustees, a post he held for eight years. At Comox Mr. and Mrs. Spencer still take an active part in community life.

Two Sub-Districts To Be Combined

Mrs. Frank Stevenett, Innisfail.

Here are the six which open the parade, from left to right: **EVELYN ARNTZEN** comes from Sedgewick, is 19 years old and her height is 5'2". She is a member of the Jr. FUA and has been active in 4-H work for four years. During that period she has held the office of secretary and did a good job as such. Evelyn is

single and an active member of

her church.

ARDYTH ANN SIMPSON -Box 92, Fairview, will be, when this issue is published just 18 years old. Her height is 5' 1". She is a student at the University of Alberta in Edmonton. She has been a member of a 4-H beef club for five years and visited the USA in 1961 after having won the efficiency award. She also attended in 1961 the judging competition at Olds. Ardyth is a five year member of the Canadian Girls in Training. She is active in church and community activities, and has been a leader of youth groups.

HUGHENE J. McINENLY -Box 76, Arrowwood, is 19 years old. Her height is 5' 5". Hughene is not only the sporting type, taking part in team games and winning several ribbons in track events, she has also taken part in 4-H work. For seven years she belonged to the Girl Guides and was for 11/2 years leader of a Brownie Pack. She has taken part

in barrel racing and took one year third place in the national event. Hughene is always willing to help in community activities.

Virginia

Jr. Queen candidates. Looking at their pictures and qualifications, each one of them de-

serves to be crowned Jr. FUA Queen during Farm Young People's Week in June. We

hope to receive more names and more pictures, which will be published in our next issue.

Up until March 26 we had received at Central Office the names and pictures of six

VIVIAN ELSIE EHRMAN -RR. 2, Ponoka, is 16 years old. she is a brunette and active in Jr. FUA work. Her height is 5' 2". Vivian likes curling and takes part in the preparation of the student union's yearbook. Vivian is very interested in school affairs and she is rated as a very good public speaker.

VIRGINIA MILLINGTON Box 794, Medicine Hat. Age 19, height 5' 51/2". Virginia is single. She was a member of the Medicine Hat 4-H Dairy Calf Club for four years and has been for one year an active FUA member. Virginia is a Sunday school teacher, and active in sports, with preference for baseball, basketball and bowling. In 1962 she received the regional 4-H award for public speaking.

SHARON KENDREW comes from a totally different part of the province, Chinook Valley. She is 17 years old, height 5' 3". Sharon is an active 4-H member, taking part in a beef course at Beaton Creek and a 4-H sewing club at Dixonville. She attended last year's Teen Camp at Fairview. Sharon takes an active part

in church activities. Horseback riding, singing and playing the piano are her favorite pastimes. and she hopes one day to be a school teacher.

Hughene

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Nostalgia and Fantasia Dangerous Combination

HEN YOU REACH the age at which shampoo makers can no longer count on you anymore as a source of profit, you may start thinking about publishers standing in line in front of your farm waiting for your biography, which will be a best seller. You can get the feeling that you have been part of a glorious past. Yes, Nostalgia very often attracts Fantasia, the nymph who can mix more beautiful colors than Titian has ever imagined possible or can create pictures of doom more horrible than those of Hieronymus Bosch.

An organization also can reach that same period. Reminiscing becomes part of life and everytime Fantasia adds more colors to the scenes of the past. Heroes begin to get higher and higher stature, villians become more disdainful. The battles need the pen of Homer, the victories were the greatest ever won.

The sad part in the story is that we are living in today's world, which isn't yesterday's nor tomorrow's. Our eves see the colors around us, less beautiful than those on Fantasia's palet. Therefore, it seems time to start that biography.

Publishers are not a hard-hearted bunch of fellows, but the least they can do is try to finish in the black at the end of the year. People, even when they still have to use shampoo, like to hear stories of the past, but don't like to pay for them. So don't count too much on that biography, whether it is yours or the history of your local.

When a local reaches the point of asking: Is there any use in going on? — think about Fantasia. She may be misleading you by showing nothing else than grey around you. Stand up and ask: "Wouldn't it be better to make an inventory first by sending out a questionnaire to all the members?" The first question of course, must be: "Should we continue with our local?"

That's a pretty fair start. You will find out that another member considers it a waste of a good sheet

of paper and a postage stamp to have only one question asked. He wants to add: "Should we have a meeting every month, four meetings a year, or two meetings a year?"

Another member doesn't know whether the picnic has been a good idea, and as there is still room on the sheet, he formulates his thinking in the words: Should we have a pic-

Others have other ideas, and the result can be that the sheet isn't wasted, nor the stamp, for only one question, and the end can be something like:

Should we hold meetings at the school or in private homes?

Should we send a delegate to the convention?

What, in your opinion, is wrong

with our meetings? What kind of a meeting would you

like, films, speakers, etc? List the type of films, speakers, os social evening which you prefer.

beefs, please list them. What will the answers be? There's

If you have any other ideas or

no need to give them, because we are talking about a "hypothetic" case. You will know for yourself. If so much energy is spent in formulating questions and sending out questionnaires, Nostalgia nor Fantasia, these two dangerous dreamers, are already on the run. The mind works clearer again, today is not grey. There are different colors, though some need some sprucing up. Yesterday's colors have become less beautiful, the battles less Homeric, the victories somewhat less great. This doesn't take anything away from past accomplishments — and they are many. It restores the balance between the past and the present, and shows the values of the organization, even today.

(If you still insist on wanting to know the answers, I can give you one: ALL MEMBERS OF THIS "HYPOTHETIC" LOCAL VOTED IN FAVOR OF GOING ON WITH THE WORK, MEETING EVERY MONTH AND SETTING UP A STRONG PROGRAM. Nk.

5D Convention

(Continued from Page 1) hand in a more understanding

Three Objectives

At the meeting of sub-district 5, District 4, Ray Bazaire, Beaverdam was elected as sub-district director and O. Marcoux as his alternate. Mrs. Charles Swiderski was elected as FWUA sub-district director. Mr. Norman Flach and Mr. Henry Young were guest speakers. Mr. Young spoke on the main objectives the farmers should work for: the establishment of marketing boards; the problem of taxation; public ownership of power companies.

Victor Melenka was elected as sub-district director for Lamont County at the sub-district meeting of sub-district 3, District 6 held at Lamont. Victor is well known in the area. He was one of the 28 who were chosen to take part in the FUA tour to Ottawa and Toronto. Mr. Henry Young, member of the FUA Executive and Norman Flach, director of District 6. addressed the delegates. Mrs. L. Scraba, FWUA director District 6,

service record as sub-district director of sub-district 4. District 6. has retired. At a sub-district convention P. Zaplachinski was chosen as his successor. The meeting and a representative of Calgary

spoke for the FWUA.

* was held at Vegreville. After the change of boundaries the subdistrict boundaries will be coterminous with the M.D. of Min-

Two Examples

To prove our statement that many people are working hard to get sub-district boards operating, two examples will suffice.

In the Barrhead area the subdistrict 1 and 1A have been joined. On March 18 a very successful meeting was held at which a subdistrict board was formed. Members are: Ernest Simon, president; Art Degen, vice-president; Mrs. Dora Preuss, secretary-treasurer; Dave Reitford, Brookland; Joe Szaben, Bloomsbury; Harvey Bentz, Mellowdale; Mrs. Saide, Freedom; Albert Steinbring, Barrhead; William Maschmeyer, Naples; John Fernoski. Vega. Six locals, Belvedere, Gardenview, Rosalea, Summerdale, Tiger Lily and Fort Assiniboine were not represented. Herewith a special invitation goes out to them to send a representative to the next Board meeting, which will be held on May 30, at 8:30 p.m., in room 220, Provincial Building, Barrhead.

Plans: to start welding, plumb-Mike Zacharuk, who has a good ing, tractor overhauling courses etc., bonspiels, entertainment. In the Barrhead Auditorium banquet room a meeting is set for April 24, 8:30 p.m. Mr. Henry Young

Power will discuss the subject of pubic or private ownership of power companies. A Farmers' Day is planned for June 14 in the Barrhead Auditorium. The committee in charge consists of Joe Czaben, Harvey Bentz and Albert Steinbring.

STRENGTH IN UNITY

Somewhat more than a year ago a Hog Producers Association was formed in the Eastern part of the province. The purpose was to unite the smaller hog growers and work for the establishment of a Hog Marketing Board. At this year's annual meeting a motion was passed to return the charter and turn the balance of the funds over to the FUA Hog Committee.

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The other example: The subdistrict board of M.D. 72 will meet April 24, 8:00 p.m. at Innisfree. It will be a planning meeting for the locals in the sub-district. Subdistrict director is Peter Zaplachinski, Box 71, Innisfree, alternate sub-district director Elgin Ziegler, Vegreville. All presidents and secretaries of the locals in the district, or their representatives, are expected to attend this meeting.

The FUA is rolling along, and at a very good speed.



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SEDGEWICK — The 4-day FUA Bonspiel recently completed at Sedgewick, had 25 rinks competing in three events. The first event was won by "Chub" Ness of Lougheed, aided and abetted by Odegard, Grove and Drager (pictured above). Second, third and fourth prizes were won by Miller of Strome, Bearisto of Sedgewick and Geo. Christenson of Sedgewick. Second event: First, Len Berg, Lougheed; 2nd, Willie Hallum of Sedgewick; 3rd, W. Hallum of Sedgewick; 4th, Cecil Gould, Sedgewick. Third event, First, Odd Ness, Lougheed; 2nd, H. Rombough, Alliance; 3rd, Abe Nordstrom, Sedgewick; 4th Herb Gascoyne of the hills north of Sedgewick. This was the third annual bonspiel sponsored by Sedgewick Local No. 844. Next spiel will be held at the plush 4-sheet Lee Palace at Sedgewick's new Recreational Centre. (Photo by Communications) will be held at the plush 4-sheet Ice Palace at Sedgewick's new Recreational Centre. (Photo by Community Press).

Active Locals Base of Our Success

★ West Wind met at Pat Tompkins' home. It was reported that a Hutterite application for the purchase of more land had been refused. At the next meeting on April 15 resolutions for the subdistrict convention will be discussed. Councillor Mr. Ferguson will be asked to attend that meeting to have further discussion on the matter of "cattle crossing" signs. The financial statement showed a balance of \$49.92.

* Strong had three visitors, Tommy Bruce, Art Falla and Brian Lee, who spoke respectively about recreation, Co-op Insurance and the Agricultural Service Board program. If the proposed change in the district boundaries is accepted. Strong will be transferred to District 8. The local is a little bit apprehensive of change, but it hopes that adjustments throughout the province will benefit our organization. (That is the light in which these adjustments must be seen-Ed.) The secretary reported a balance of 440.76. Mr. and Mrs. Lowther showed several enjoyable films.

★ Elbridge saw 19 members and 8 guests attending the meeting, not including the two speakers, Norman Flach and Henry Young. Norman Flach District 6 director spoke about how to arrange good meetings and the three main objectives of the FUA. Mr. Young spoke about the subject: Public or private power. The local will send letters to its MLA and the provincial government supporting the idea of publicly owned power companies, and asking for the FUA proposed change in the marketing legislation regarding marketing boards.

* Badger Lake protests the increase in grazing leases. County Councillor Andrew McAlister reported on the road building program of last year and this year. Al 17 members attending were in favor of Dr. Hill, a veterinarian, setting up an office in the area, but more on a permanent basis rather than just one day a week. * Green Grove discussed the possibility of buying sprays by the barrel from UFA Farm Supply. District Director W. R. Hansel was guest speaker. The meeting felt that quite a bit of information was gathered from this talk and the discussion following it. * Prospect Valley is in favor of limiting the term of ofice, but unhappy that some veterinarian supplies can't be bought in the local store. Romeo Belanger who went on the FUA Ottawa-Toronto tour gave a very interesting talk on his experiences. A lively question period followed. The meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Tribe and was attended by 17 members.

★ Islay favors a maximum term of office of five years. Guest speaker was Ken Stone on the topic: Weed sprays — new and old. He showed also some colored slides of the most common weeds. Nineteen members attended the meeting.

* Chinook had more than 50 adults and a number of children attend its joint meeting with the Alberta Wheat Pool. The date for the next bonspiel was set at Nov. 23 and 24. For the April meeting a representative of AFA will be asked to speak about Hog Marketing Boards.

★ Elk Point will send notice cards to those members, who do not regularly attend the meetings. The Hog Marketing Board report was discussed and P. Ference answered the many questions. Councillor C. Zarowny will be asked to speak at the next meeting. Mr. R. Reierson, MLA for the area will be invited for one of the future meetings.

★ Fort Kent discussed an MSI plan, but didn't make a decision about it. All the 17 members present were in favor of the change the FUA want to see made in the Marketing Act. The local is op-

posed to commerical fishing in Hollowood Lake and Bear Trap Lake, and the authorities will be notified of this. Officers elected were: Edmond Lessard, president; Jean Marie Lafrance, Fort Kent, secretary; Arthur Jubinville, vice-president. Directors are: Gabriel Ehnes, Edward Shalka, Yves Levasseur and Willie Levasseur.

* STYAL held its meeting at the home of M. Mazeppa. The financial statement showed a balance of \$34.02. An entertainment committee was appointed, consisting of P. Kremeniuk, M. Mazeppa, Mrs. H. Carlstrom and Mr. and Mrs. M. Mandriuk. They will organize a bingo on April 26 in the hall to raise money for the local. ★ BELLIS raised \$124.65 through a bingo and a raffle. A donation of \$10 was made to the Red Cross. In March a short course was held on farm management. Mr. John Jusypink, field supervisor spoke on the formation and function of the Agricultural Service Board. Mr. Bill Yule, district agriculturist spoke on services which farmers could obtain through his office.

★ EGREMONT passed a resolution which will be sent to the provincial cabinet expressing that a two-thirds majority of those voting should be enough to establish a marketing board. The local plans to have in a future meeting a guest speaker on marketing boards.

LUTZ GROVE had four new members joining the FUA at the local meeting. Mr. Roy Getson explained "Where your five dollars go" when you join the FUA. The next meeting will be held at John Hawryluk's home on April 21, at 8 p.m.

21, at 8 p.m.

★ RAINY HILLS elected Jim Liboiron, Manley Knutson, George Jess, Stan Turkosz and Mike Stadnicki as director. Mr. L. Abram spoke about MSI groups in the FUA

★ LOYALTY had 25 members present at the meeting held at the Crossroads Hall. An election forum will be organized if candidates are available. The veterinarian from Trochu gave a most interesting talk.

★ ROSENTHAL accepted an invitation of Blueberry local to have a joint dance. On April 6 a ham bingo will be held in the Rosenthal hall. A canvassing banquet one month prior to the membership drive was discussed, but no decision was made. The matter will be taken up again. Dave Garland of Federated Co-ops showed some very interesting films and organized a buzz session on co-operatives.

★ HEISLER heard an inspiring talk by sub-district director Tom Bruce on how to activate a local and on the sub-district convention. Glen Lunty of Hastings Coulee and Willy Hallum of Sedgewick showed slides of and spoke about their experiences on the FUA Ottawa-Toronto tour. Ron Henderson, Jr. FUA director, Forestburg, showed slides and spoke about the Jr. Camp and the Queen Contest.

★ THOMASVILLE carried a motion made by Bob Willoughy and seconded by Elmer Lang, to have at the next meeting as guest speakers Mr. Hardie Salt give a talk about credit unions and the manager of the Lloydminster coop store about co-operatives. Mr. Ralph Willson, field supervisor showed a film on perennial weeds.

★ HINES CREEK, meeting with 22 members at Steve Velichka's home, considers the present local marketing outlets, which include the co-op auction mart in Fairview, quite adequate. Lack of pasture and lack of money prevent an increase in cattle herds. The next meeting will be held April 8 at Ed Lambrecht's home. Sam Simpson, Fairview, will be asked to speak about the FUA Ottawa-Toronto tour.

★ HELINA discussed the "Tips on programming" in our paper



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and decided to invite the weed inspector or the district agriculturist to one of the meetings. The local wasn't sure whether an FUA member is automatically a member of the UFA Co-operative. (No. You have to have a membership in the FUA and one in the UFA Co-op.—Ed.)

★ SWEDEBORO's March meeting was attended by 31 members and 7 visitors. The forming of a UFA local within the FUA local was discussed. Guest speaker was Peter Ference, who took part in the Ottawa-Toronto tour. He showed slides and movies and gave a very informative talk on the Ontario Hog Marketing Board. Steve Dro-

bot, sec.-treas. resigned because he was elected as sec.-treas. of Sub-District 3. Lena Kryvenchuk was elected in his place.

protect Group Interest.

★ AMISK-HUGHENDEN, meeting at Don Manning's home, elected Mr. Allan Johnson a spresident, Mr. Ingvald Mellemstrand as vice-president. Mrs. Louis Prost was re-elected as sec.-treas. Mrs. Mary Shawley was elected to replace one of the directors. Mr. Paul Lefebvre showed slides taken on his trip to France.

★ HEINSBURG passed a motion made by Mr. B. Smith and Mrs. L. Belsheim, to invite a UFA representative and a representative of Co-op Fire and Casualty to the

June meeting at Tulliby Lake. Seven delegates attended the subdistrict convention at Elk Point. A CCIL representative spoke about farm machinery.

★ CHIP LAKE is concerned about holes left by seismograph crews and the piling of thrash on fence lines by road crews. On April 24 an FU & CDA leadership course will be held at Carrot Creek, starting at 10 a.m. The Sub-District 5 convention will be held at Wildwood, April 24, at 8 p.m. sharp. G. R. Getson gave a report on a silage tour and the safety conference. The meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. Wildeboer.

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No closing date has been set for sending in entries for the show contest, but the first 25 with the earliest postmark will be considered first. Local posters will provide more information.

On May 3 a bingo and dance will be held to raise funds for the Red Cross. The prizes are donated by local firms. The following committees were elected to prepare this fund raising project: Publicity, Mrs. Charles Spiess; Bingo prizes, Henry Fisher; Selling bingo cards, Charles Spiess; Calling bingo, C. T. Swiderski; Refreshments, Mrs. Gwen Spreiter, Mrs. Marlene J. Swiderski, Mrs. Alvina Fisher and Mrs. Amelia Myslicki; Orchestra, Henry Fisher.

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Letter of Thanks

We received a letter from Mrs. Winnifred Parry, Three Hills, Alberta from which we publish the following parts:

"I wish to express my thanks to the FUA for giving me the opportunity of attending the Rural Leadership Conference at Banff from February 25 to March 8. It was indeed a privilege to attend and participate in all the activi-

"I feel that the group discussions both during the classes and outside the classes, as well as the friendly relationship between personnel and students was appreci-

"We all appreciated the efforts of Mr. Allan Deschamps, Extension Department, University of Alberta, in keeping everything going smoothly. Mr. Frank Kisko, United Grain Growers, and Mr. Milo Fleming, Alberta Wheat Pool taught us much about public speaking. It was also a pleasure to listen to Mr. Dean Lien and Mr. Gordon Kraemer.

"I feel I owe a great deal to the FUA for sponsoring me, and I hope to be able to convey to other people the wealth of knowledge I received at the conference."

S.D. Director Of Kneehill

Sub-district 4 of District 10 will from now on be known as subdistrict Kneehill. As in all other cases in District 10, where the subdistricts have received names, this means that every local in the subdistrict will be in the County of Kneehill. Ed Kober, Trochu, was elected as FUA sub-district director of Kneehill, and Mrs. Wm. Gore, Swalwell, as FWUA subdistrict director of Kneehill.

 Hillside listened to Mrs. J. Thompson surveying and discussing the proposed program of instruction at the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology. Mrs. E. R. Hoskins reported about a recent Red Cross meeting. Red Cross sewing was turned in, including a quilt made by Mrs. J. Scharff. Mrs. R. Young gave a report on the FU & CDA workshop in Wetaskiwin. Two members were appointed to attend the planning meeting for the Wetaskiwin FW-UA conference. Mrs. J. Marr gave a most interesting account of the FUA tour to Ottawa and Toronto.

Co-operative Life Insurance of a multiple line sales program.

The move, a major operational change for the Companies, will involve the amalgamation of Life and Fire and Casualty offices across Canada into single mul-

The multiple line concept of insurance sees the life, home, property and auto insurance needs written and serviced by one company through one agent. Emphasis is placed on a closely integrated program of total insurance designed to meet the requirements of the individual or family. Special training will be required by the Companies' representatives to provide the new service.

Commenting on this far reaching move of the Companies, Mr. Matheson, general-manager of the Companies, said, "multiple line operations will enable us to coordinate sales activities and permit our representatives to plan insurance programs for our policyowners with maximum objectivi-

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WHAT 16 YEARS OF N.F.U. HISTORY SHOW:

No Funds For Research Work Were Available

By Mrs. C. R. Braithwaite, FWUA President

A brief review of the beginning of the National Farm Union will refresh our memories and make us aware of the set up of our Farm Unions.

The Interprovincial Farmers' Union Council was formed on March 14th. 1947. Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta Farm Unions were the member bodies. Later Ontario and British Columbia joined. The main purpose of the Council was to promote a direct membership organization for farmers.

At first each organization paid the expenses of the president to the meetings. The purpose at that time was to co-ordinate the efforts of the farm unions.

In 1951 it was put on a more stable basis when it was agreed by the Council members to provide working funds by an annual uniform levy calculated on a basis of the adult membership roll at the time of the annual provincial conventions.

The Council thought about establishing a reasearch department with each member organization sharing the cost on a pro rata basis of membership. It was the same old story-lack of finances -which resulted in the fact that 16 years later not one farm organization has an established research department.

In 1951-52 the FUA paid into the Council \$552.60, of this \$145.00 was spent in preparing briefs.

In 1952-53 and amount of \$572.75 was spent for preparation of briefs. The IFUC received a total of \$1,871.05. In 1953-54 Alberta paid \$742.42.

In 1954-55 the following reso-

lution was passed:

WHEREAS the FUA has taken part in the Interprovincial Farm Union Council setup for a number of years, and

WHEREAS the Council is performing an important function as the voice of the direct membership of the farm unions, and

WHEREAS the time has come when provision should be made to provide some finances for the efficient operation of the Council;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the FUA should be prepared to contribute to such a fund up to a total of \$5,000.00 in 1955. This was passed by the FUA Board December, 1954.

Public Relations

The FUA Board meeting in July 1955 moved that a grant of \$500.00 be sent to the IFUC and be earmarked for public relations work. The motion carried. So in 1955 we paid in \$5,500.00.

1955-56 fees to IFUC were to be 25 cents for each \$5.00 received in membership fees with a minimum of \$5,000.00 and a maximum of \$8,000.00, such fees to be subject to annual review. We paid to the IFUC at that time \$5,000.

1956 - 57 — \$5,000.00 1957 - 58 — \$5,000.00

1958 - 59 — \$6,822.00 1959 - 60 — Allottment to IFUC reduced to \$4,000.

1960 - 61 — \$4,000.00 1961 - 62 - \$4,000.00

Constitution

The annual FUA convention of 1960 gave the authority to change the name from the Interprovincial Farm Union Council to the National Farm Union. Then in 1961 a committee composed of Rudy Usick, Manitoba; Doug Yonge, Saskatchewan and Mrs. Braithwaite of Alberta, were to draft a national constitution. This constitution was presented to the FUA convention of 1962. The delegates accepted it in principle, and as I understand it, gave the authority to proceed with the founding convention of 1964.

At the present time we are operating under the old constitution of the IFUC.

Our farm organizations are changing in character and strong forces are working to bring about these changes.

Research Needed

The man on the land needs a direct membership organization to promote policy at this level, and this is more important as farmers become fewer in number. It seems to me everyone would take an unbiased look at the situation the solution would not be difficult to

The farm organization needs a research department desperately. Sixteen precious years are gone and no action has been taken. Alberta could lead the way by starting to budget for research work. The value received could be of enormous benefit to farmers in formulating policies and presenting briefs.

Think about your farm union often and think about it well. A step backwards is hard to recover, a half step forward may be slow but sure.

IN DISTRICT 1

trict 4 of District 1 a new subdistrict board was elected. The officers are: sub-district director. Peter Poohkay; alternate, Stan Sather; FWUA sub-district director Mrs. Dora McVittie. Mrs. Lena Bush was appointed secretary-treasurer of the board on which also all locals in the subdistrict are represented.

Volin brought three resolutions forward. Wanham's president Walter Stepaniuk presented the \$250 bursary, set up by District 1 for the benefit of a farm boy or girl attending a school of agricul-

ROSS, Not Rossland

In our March 22 issue a local named Rossland ran away with honors in the District 7 curling playoffs which weren't deserved. Not Rossland but ROSS won these playoffs. Our congratulations to the ROSS rink.

M. R. Buehler S.D. Director

Where farming and sport go together:

By Mrs. C. James, F.W.U.A. Director, District 3

minion of New Zealand, comprised of three main islands,

North, South, and Stuart, and the Chatham Islands. The

country was discovered by a Dutch explorer in 1642 and

became a British colony in 1840. Settlement was hindered

by wars with the Maoris but in 1907 the colony became a

self-governing Dominion and is a member of the Common-

and secular, compulsory, and free education is provided

About 1200 miles southeast of Australia is the Do-

Sub-district 6 of District 10 has changed its name to Sub-district Mountainview. Mr. M. R. Buehler of Olds has been elected as subdistrict director of Mountainview.

BEAUTIFUL NEW ZEALAND

NEW S.D. BOARD

At the convention of Sub-Dis-

ture, to Ted Fowler.

Further on in his talk Mr. Usher said perhaps the time has come that serious consideration should be given to the establishing of local farm safety committees in our rural areas. These would be committees responsible for reporting accidents, for determining local problems, and

Council had chosen as the title of his talk "Safety is Personal". Mr. Lawrence said farmers need to develop their desire to prevent accidents as strongly as they

SAFETY COMES FIRST

Prevent Accidents On The Farm

The theme "Farm-Safety-Sensible and Saleable" for the Sixth Western Farm Safety Conference was well chosen. The interest shown by the 250 registered delegates proved to me that the time and effort put into the planning of this conference was well worthwhile. It appeared to me that in planning this conference the most expert people were chosen to speak to, and act for the delegates. Who in your opinion is better able to re-enact an accident that the person who has had the accident?

Who, in your opinion, is better able to try a case in court than a lawyer who has to deal with these cases every day? These are two of the experiences the delegates were privileged to see en-

In his opening remarks Mr. C. L. Usher, President, told the Conference that it is just over five years ago at a meeting such as this the Western Canada Farm Safety Conference was establish-

He said this action was the result of efforts of dedicated, safety minded people in our four Western Provinces — people who were determined to find new ways to check the mounting accident toll among farm residents.

Mr. Usher said it was encouraging to note some of these same persons are still with us.

LOCAL COMMITTEES

then taking action on them.

Mr. R. Paul Lawrence, General Manager Alberta Safety

can. The very nature of their work is more hazardous than most. The adults use a wide variety of complicated machines, and most of them learn to operate these machines by themselves. No safety supervisor watches them. No foreman makes sure that they do things properly.

He thought that if a farmer forms an unsafe habit the chances are excellent that he will go right on practising for an accident until he has one.

MORE WAS DONE

The work that had been done by farm groups were reported on by 4-H Clubs and the W.I. Mr. Nelson reported for the Farmers Union. In listening to our report I felt sure that many things had been done to encourage Safety on our farms of which Central Office had never heard. So, they could not be put in our report.

Mr. B. T. Stephanson, chairman of the Farm Safety Committee of the Alberta Safety Council said: We must have the facts before we can plan and pinpoint safety programs. In Alberta statistics are gathered for farm fatalities but not for farm accidents, resulting in hospitalization. In Alberta people in the safety field look with envy at the superlative job the department of public health in Saskatchewan is doing in this field.

FIELD FOR FWUA

In thinking this remark over, I wonder if this is not an area that the FWUA might not take a hand.

We have had good co-operation from our department of public Health. If we can prove to them that these statistics are sorely needed to help carry on a successful farm safety program, maybe we could have them made available to us.

The Farm Safety Conference is nearly two months old now. I sincerely hope the delegates from our locals are doing something with the knowledge they gained at this conference, and that the members will take to heart some of the things their delegate told them, because "Safety is Personal".

INVITE DELEGATES

If you did not have a delegate from your own local, no doubt your neighboring local did. Please plan a special safety meeting and invite them to tell you their impressions of the conference.

Although the conference was held in February, Farm safety should be uppermost in our minds at all times.

Mr. C. Smith, director of health education in Saskatchewan thinks someone who knows and understands the hazards, insists on safe practices, reminds family members to work and play safely and keep a watchful eye on equipment. Someone should be the safety director, it is the mother. Have I not often said this to you ladies when I have spoken to you? No matter how busy you are

safety must come first - Mrs. J. R. Hallum,

2nd Vice-president FWUA

wealth of Nations. The British crown is represented by a governor-general, but the real power is exercised by a prime minister and cabinet responsible to an elected House of Representatives. Protestantism is the main religious faith

according to the English system. The population is about two million and most of the people are of British descent with English the language. The New Zealanders are inclined to be shy and slow to give their confidence but once the initial reserve is broken they are easy to ge on with. They are passionately devoted to sport and

even more to sportsmanship.

The natives, the Maoris, are Polynesians, an intelligent, tall, well built, brown-skinned people, probably of Caucasian origin and numbering over 100,000. South Island has few Maoris, in some parts none at all, but in the four northernmost countries of North Island the Maoris about equal the Europeans in numbers. The Maoris are free, the equals of Europeans, and as a community they elect four members to the legislature. There is no attempt to segregate the Maoris and today it is a rarity to see a Maori in traditional dress except on special oc-

Southern Alps

The country is mainly undulating plains and uplands, broken middle ranges of mountains and foothills. The mountains of South Island are called the Southern Alps and are known in their

own right by climbers all over the world. The combination of forests and glaciers is one that has great attractions for men and women who like both camping and climb-

As New Zealand is in the Southern Hemisphere, its warm season occurs during the winter season of lands in the Northern Hemisphere. The islands have good rainfall, and a sunny, bracing climate with both heat and cold tempered by the ocean. The North Island, because of its lack of high mountains has the more evenly distributed rainfall.

Beauty is often the background to farming in New Zealand and the green of the country is something that cannot be imagined. The mildness of the winters permitting all-year grazing and the abundant rainfall make the country the richest grazing area of its size in the world. Nearly half of the land area of 66,000,000 acres is used for grazing sheep with a total flock of 42,000,000. The country's economy is principally pastoral and agricultural, but spurred on by the two World Wars manufacturing has reached new heights.

Transportation

Transportation is provided by coastal shipping, good roads, and about 3,500 miles of railroads. The postal, telephone and telegraph systems, as well as the railways, are owned by the state and are state operated. The railways are narrow gauged (3 ft. 6 in.), deemed necessary because of the engineering difficulties presented by the country's mountainous charracter. Today, when many thousands of miles of highways and byways criss-cross New Zealand, it is difficult to realize that little more than a century and a quarter ago, the country was destitute of roads. The Maoris, when moving from place to place, travelled either on foot in single file on narrow tracks, or by canoe.

Wellington, the capital city, has one of the finest natural harbours in the world for shipping and is known for its scenic magnificence. Auckland is the largest city and the Auckland Harbour Bridge is an outstanding engineering feat. Not far from Auckland can be seen giant specimens of Kauri trees. The country's famous emblem bird is the wingless Kiwi. This bird is nocturnal so is not normally seen during the daytime.

The Envy of All

New Zealanders are the envy of sportsmen throughout the world. Oversea visitors appreciate that the Dominion offers some of the best fishing—fresh and salt water -and certainly some of the best shooting in the world. But the New Zealander lives so close to it he takes it for granted, that whenever he likes and just about wherever he lives, he is within reasonable driving distance of a tremendous range of sporting activity.

A Plug for a Jr. FUA Rally

Frank Schaff, Jr. FUA Director for District 2, makes the suggestion to include a Jr. FUA Rally as a part of the summer program in all of the 14 Districts. At such a rally the members of the district can come together, exchange ideas and take part in different events. He believes such rallies could become an important annual event.

FWUA HI-LITES

- Fairdonian Valley changed its meeting date from the second to the third Wednesday in the month. More than one hundred settings of silverware will be purchased for the Community Hall kitchen. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Gwen Weber.
- Gleichen's card party has been a social and financial success. Mrs. Burne reported about the sub-district convention at Dalemead where Mrs. G. Cordiell was elected as sub-district director. Mrs. P. Farnya spoke about the Canary Islands and showed slides. She and her family have stayed there for two years. Mrs. Farnya had arranged also a display of handicrafts of these islands.
- One Tree had three members attending the District 13 Convention at Medicine Hat. The local is working on the scrapbook. Nine members attended the meeting held at the home of Mrs. Sophie
- Red Deer decided to give a small gift to those who have a perfect atendance record. A decision was made to tour the new Vocational School. Mrs. Comfort gave the treasurer's report, which showed a balance of \$59. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. N. Chrunyk.
- Marwayne made the decision to send \$25 to Head Office. The local will cater to a Wheat Pool banquet on April 10. A donation of \$25 was sent to the Cancer Fund and one of \$10 to the Lloydminister Hospital. A successful old-time dance was held.

- · Westlock is in favor of limiting the term of office. The local decided to give the usual donation to ACWW plus 1 cent per member. Plans were made to sponsor a boy or girl for one of the camps at Gold Eye Lake. A bake sale will be held on April 13. Seventeen members and onevisitor attended this meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Hup-
- Pollockville will in the future send delegates to the convention in the alphabetical order of the membership list. Mrs. Pulky reported on the history of the local. Mrs. Keyle and Mrs. Walden, both charter members will take charge of the project to write the Local's history. An entertainment committee was appointed. The meeting was held at the home of Carol Christianson.
- Crossfield had as guest speaker Mr. Bernard Heine, director of the Calgary chapter of the Can. Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Mrs. Leon Mason read an interesting report, made by her mother, Mrs. Hickerson, about the FUA Convention in Calgary in
- Sunny Hills met at the home of Mrs. P. Hildahl. Announcements were made about the subdistrict convention in Delia. April 11. Mrs. C. W. Johnson will speak and show slides of the FUA trip to Ottawa and Toronto at the Sunbeam Community Centre on April 17.
- Bonanza discussed the FWUA conference in June, District Di-

rector Mrs Fletcher informed the members that a sub-district director will have to be appointed. The possibility of FWUA First Aid classes for young adults was discussed. Mrs. O. Salzsauler, R.N., secretary of the local would be in charge. Fourteen members were present at this meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Moorman.

- Andrew had a very well attended meeting with 33 members and two visitors present. Mr. Victor Melenka spoke about the Ottawa-Toronto tour and showed a film of the places he visited. Mrs. Zabrick reported about the Farm Safety Conference.
- Poplar Ridge decided that at least three of the local's members should attend the conference in Red Deer on April 25. A motion, made by Mrs. Louala Schnee, sec. by Mrs. C. Mayhew, passed to make a Gold Eye apron. Each member will sew on a patch, putting some money under it. The bake sale netted \$22.29. Mrs. Elsie Belich's home was the meeting place.
- · Aunger has been quite busy during the last few months. At the March meeting plans were made for the annual ham supper, bingo and bazaar, to be held on April 26 at the Fenn Hall. Mrs. Leroy Fleshman gave an interesting demonstration on how to make French poodles from clothes hangers and colored plastic. President of the local is Mrs. C. F. Reid, secretary Mrs. Melvin Hanna.
- Pelican's bonspiel was quite a success. The money made on it wil be used for next year's spiel. Donations were made to different organizations. The local is working hard on the community scrapbook. Foourteen members at-

of Mrs. Francis Redmond.

- Fairview feels that the semester system in high school will be better for the students than the trimester or ten month system. The local hopes to arrange a basket weaving demonstration by Mrs. E Bailey, Fairview, at the Craft Centre during the latter part of April. The members met at the home of Mrs. Marion Campbell.
- West Wind also considers the semester system the best. Twenty seven members attended the meeting at the home of Mrs. Cyril Bonertz. Plans were made for the meeting in Pincher Creek Hall, where Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Bird will talk about the FUA Ottawa-Toronto tour. Arrangements were completed for the sub-district 2 convention at St. Michael on April 17. Mrs. John Campbell will give a talk and demonstration on "Care of the Hair."

FWUA Conferences In District 1

Two FWUA Conferences will be held in FUA District 1 this year. The first one will be held at Heart Valley on April 23rd under the direction of Mrs. J. Scriba, Alternate FWUA Director.

The second one will be held in the Bay Tree Hall on June 4th under the direction of Mrs. B. Fletcher. FWUA Director. Mr. Osbaldeston, Principal of the Fairview Community College, will be guest speaker.

All women members of the FUA. FWUA and Jr. FUA are urged to take part. Visitors will be welcome. Programs of interest have been planned and resolutions will be dis-

tended this meeting at the home FWUA CONFERENCE FOR DISTRICT 9

A conference for the ladies in the southern half of District 9 will be held in the Legion Hall, Lacombe, April 2, 1963, with registration commencing at 9:45 a.m. Sub districts 1 and 6 will hold their sub district convention at the same time and FWUA sub directors will be elected.

Guest speakers will include Mrs. F. A. Sissons, FWUA vice-president; Mr. C. G. Merkley, Department of Education; Mrs. E. Boychuk, district home economist, and Mr. W. Tullis, UGG. There will be a panel discussion on mental health. Locals will give reports, as will Mrs. C. E. Jones, FWUA director, and Mrs. Kasha on the FUA scholarship.

All women members of the FUA and FWUA locals are invited to attend. Visitors will be welcome.

S.D. Directors Wheatland

Howard Roppel of Rockyford has been elected as FUA sub-district director for Wheatland. Mrs. Gavriel Corbiell of Gleichen was elected as FWUA sub-district director. Wheatland was formerly sub-district 1 in District 10.

C. Schmaltz S.D. Director

At the convention of Sub-district 2 of District 10, which will be known from now on as Rockyview, Clarence Schmaltz, Beiseker, was elected as sub-district director. Mrs. W. L. Barker, Calgary, is the FWUA sub-district director of Rockyview.

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